

All Saints, Great Braxted
All Saints, Inworth
All Saints, Messing

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye
St Luke, Tolleshunt Knights with Tiptree

St Mary, Layer Breton with Birch
St Mary, Layer Marney

To be a transforming presence in our community, open and welcoming to all and serving all



Sunday 5th October 2025, Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity / Harvest Festival

Today's Services & Readings Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2.1-4 Psalm 37.1-9;
2 Timothy 1:1-14; Luke 17:5-10
Harvest Festival: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 100;
Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Morning Prayer *Graham Howlett*
Hymns 357, 360, 480, 391

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Harvest Festival Family Communion
Hymns 144, 222, 195, 801 *Revd Christine Newmarch*
Followed by Harvest Bring & Share lunch in the Extension

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Harvest Festival All-age Worship
Led by Revd Michael Hatchett & Family Service Team

All Saints', Great Braxted

11.15 am Harvest Festival Parish Communion
Hymns 270, 253, 271, 275 *Revd Christine Newmarch*

All Saints', Inworth

11.15 am Harvest Festival Matins *Harold Toms*
Hymns 101, 138, 302, 17
1 pm Flower Festival with memories of Inworth – open 'til 4.30 pm

See over page for events & our weekly notices for the coming week

Next Sunday's Services – 12th October 2025 Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

St Mary, Layer Marney

9 am Holy Communion *Revd Julia Russell Grant*

St Luke's, Tiptree

9.30 am Parish Communion *Revd Michael Hatchett*

St John the Baptist, Layer de la Haye

10.30 am Holy Communion *Revd Julia Russell Grant*

All Saints', Messing

11.15 am Morning Worship *Wendy Borgartz*

Sunday Morning Resources Online *to find our sermons, readings & intercessions please visit our Team website:*

thurstablewinstreechurches.org

To find our Church weekday opening times for private prayer & visitors, please see our website: thurstablewinstreechurches.org – click on the drop-down menu 'Our Churches'

Receiving the Weekly News Sheet:

If you, or someone you know, would like to receive the news sheet by email please contact your usual distributor or email Christine Hall: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com Please let us know if you would like us to change the way that we contact you, we are happy to help.

Church Diary for the week, Mon 6th to Sat 11th October

Mon 5.15 pm Season of Creation event, Chelmsford Cathedral
Mon 7.30 pm Team Council Meeting, at St Luke's
Mon No Bible Study on Zoom this week, back next week as usual
Tue 1.30 pm St Luke's School Harvest Festival in church
Wed 2.15 pm St Luke's School Harvest Festival in church
Wed 10 am Coffee Morning, at Messing Village Hall. Tea, coffee, cake and chat. Come along! *Donations to church funds*
Wed 8 pm Village Voices meet in the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Layer de la Haye. Details from Debbie: dwalsham63@gmail.com
Thur 9.45 am Layer de la Haye School Harvest Festival
Thur 2 pm JB Tots meet in the Queen Elizabeth Hall (annexe) Layer de la Haye. Call Barbara, 734600 or Rina, 734495 (01206)
Sat 7.30 pm Quiz Night at St Luke's', *Friends of St Luke's*
St Luke's Tiptree, regular weekly events:
Morning Prayer, 9 am on Thursdays – join us during the vacancy
9.15 am Parent & Toddler; Wed 7.30 pm St Luke's Choir Practice;
Thur 10 am Holy Communion, followed by coffee at The New Times;
Thur 2-4 pm Tiptree Food-bank is open at Tiptree URC, Chapel Road

Diary Dates & News

Services in the wider team, this Sunday, 5th October, Easthorpe have their Harvest Festival at 6 pm. *All welcome.*

Harvest Bring & Share, at St Luke's, this Sunday after Harvest Festival Service. Please add your name to the list in the lobby & choose a contribution to bring.

Harvest offerings: our churches are mainly asking for gifts of non-perishable items for the Foodbanks (please check expiry dates). The items needed for Tiptree Foodbank are as per their shopping list, circulated with the news sheet or contact thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com for a list.

The next meeting of the Team Council is this Monday 6th Oct, 7.30 pm at St Luke's. Agendas have been circulated, if you usually attend and haven't received a copy, please come along to St Luke's.

Tiptree Food Bank would welcome supplies of: - 500g bags of sugar, Long grain rice, Tinned meat, Tinned potatoes, Teabags, Cereal, Toilet rolls & Washing powder **Food Bank donations can be taken to:** ASDA, St Luke's Church 9 am-4 pm daily (leave in yellow box in the church) or dropped off at the Foodbank at the United Reformed Church on Thursdays 2-4 pm. *Thank you for your support. See our shopping list for Harvest gifts.*

More Diary Dates this Week:

Season of Creation Event: Monday 6th October, 5.15pm to 8pm at Chelmsford Cathedral. Reflecting on Creation and our relationship with it, the theme this year is "Peace with Creation" drawing on Isaiah 3 2:14-18. With a Panel of speakers, more details at www.chelmsfordcathedral.org.uk/events/event/peace-justice-and-hope-for-creation *All are welcome to attend all or part of this event.*

Friends of St Luke's Quiz Night, Saturday 11th October, 7.30 pm in St Luke's Church Hall, Tiptree. Tickets £5 per person, teams of up to 8. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. To book please contact foslbookings@gmail.com Raffle.

News, Reminders & Looking Ahead

Open Door Magazine for October & November, copies are now available in church at Tiptree, Inworth & Messing. You can also read it on-line from our website www.tk-tiptree-braxted-benefice.org.uk/opendoor.html If you would like a printed copy, please contact thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com

Saying Goodbye, on Sunday 12th October at 6 pm in Chelmsford Cathedral, the Mariposa International will be hosting their annual Saying Goodbye Service. This is for everyone affected by the loss of a baby at any stage, or are grieving that they have been unable to have a child, however long ago. More information available from their website: www.sayinggoodbye.org

Clock Change: our clocks go back over night on Saturday 25th October.

Harvest Festival at St Mary Layer Marney, is on Sunday 26th October at 6 pm. *More details soon.*

The Installation of Revd Jo Wood, as Team Vicar takes place at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 4th November at Layer de la Haye. *More information soon.*

Get in touch – our Contact details:

While we are in vacancy please contact Revd Liz Barnes, Associate Priest -
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News sheet & Team Administrator, Christine Hall: thurstableteamadmin@btinternet.com
Days of work: Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, available for phone enquiries from 10 am to 12.30 pm on the mobile: 07421 078981 (with voicemail). Available in St Luke's Church Office on Tuesday mornings by appointment only & Thursdays from 10 am to 12.30 pm. The office number is 01621 819557 (with voicemail).

St Luke's Hall bookings: Gareth Williams, 01621 818069 hall.stlukestiptree@btinternet.com

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